RECOGNIZING MR. ROBERT P. PAGE

HON. CHARLIE MELANCON

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 29, 2008

Mr. MELANCON. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this time to commend Mr. Robert P. Page, an outstanding citizen and business leader from Houma, Louisiana. I wanted to recognize him today as he is in the final months of his term as the President of the National Association of Professional Insurance Agents.

Mr. Page has distinguished himself throughout his career as a professional insurance agent and he has exhibited only the highest standards of honesty, integrity and professionalism, serving as the President of the Professional Insurance Agents of Louisiana.

Despite suffering personal losses as the result of Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Gustav, Mr. Page has provided uninterrupted service to the clients of his insurance agency in Houma, going above and beyond the call of duty to assist his fellow citizens who suffered devastating losses after each storm.

Mr. Page has worked tirelessly to develop a mechanism to deal with natural catastrophes throughout the United States, serving as the founding member of the Professional Insurance Agents Natural Catastrophe Task Force.

With his years of hard work and dedication Mr. Page has earned the respect and admiration of his many colleagues throughout the insurance industry. He has embodied the motto of his insurance association, "Local Agents Serving Main Street America"

Therefore, I'd like to congratulate and commend Robert P. Page of Houma, Louisiana upon the successful completion of his term as President of the National Association of Professional Insurance Agents.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON, FRANK D. LUCAS

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, September 29, 2008

Mr. LUCAS. Madam Speaker, I submit the following:

Title: Earmark Declaration.

Requesting Member: Congressman FRANK LUCAS.

Date: September 29, 2008.

Pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2638.

Account: Defense-wide, RDT&E.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Oklahoma State University.

Address of Requesting Entity: 101 White-hurst, Stillwater, Oklahoma, USA.

Description of Request: I received an earmark of \$1,600,000 for the University Multi-Spectral Laboratory (UML) and Analytical Services Center (ASCENT). This funding will be used to perform testing, integration and commercialization of chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and explosive (CBRNE) and command, control, communications, com-

puters, intelligence surveillance and reconnaissance (C4ISR) sensor-related technologies. This project is a SOCOM/Oklahoma State University collaboration. It will fuse academic, technical, and tactical assets and provide education and training to facilitate rapid movement of new technical concepts to marketable products via technology transfer. It will further supply a secure facility for sensitive research, as needed.

(2) Account: Defense-wide, RDT&E.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Oklahoma State University.

Address of Requesting Entity: 101 White-hurst, Stillwater, Oklahoma, USA.

Description of Request: I received an earmark of \$2,000,000 for the Aging Systems Sustainment and Enabling Technologies (ASSET) program. This funding will be used for the ASSET program to develop, test, and transfer cost-effective logistics support technologies to reduce the costs associated with support of aging weapons systems and aircraft. The ASSET program addresses DOD needs for procuring replacement parts for aging systems and aircraft, and helps DOD confront problems associated with corrosion.

(3) Account: Defense-wide, RDT&E.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Oklahoma State University.

Address of Requesting Entity: 101 White-hurst, Stillwater, Oklahoma, USA.

Description of Request: I received an earmark of \$1,200,000 for the National Repository of Digital Forensic Intelligence (NRDFI) and the Center for Telecommunications and Network Security (CTANS). This funding will be used for CTANS in collaboration with Defense Cyber Crimes Center (DC3) to design and construct a repository for digital forensic intelligence in an effort to increase efficiency and effectiveness of analysts and investigators. This tool has the potential to greatly increase efficiency and effectiveness of analysts and investigators, whether working in foreign intelligence or criminal prosecution.

GOVERNMENT NEEDS LIMITED ROLE

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 29, 2008

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, government, when tasked with helping to solve a national crisis, will naturally rush to grow the size of government and its influence. Thankfully, cooler heads can often prevail even in the halls of Congress.

There is a fragile balance between the merits of a free market and the requisite oversight of government. Government involvement and regulation that is necessary should always be targeted and limited. We need smarter regulation, not overregulation.

Additionally, while some may insist that certain institutions are too big to fail, we must recognize that small businesses and enterprises are never too small to ignore. Small businesses are what drive this Nation's economy. When we defend the American taxpayer and their wallets against massive spending, we are defending the very foundation of our economic success. We are defending those who create the jobs and grow our economy.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September 11th.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TIM MURPHY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 29, 2008

Mr. TIM MURPHY of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 661 H.R. 928, the Inspector General Reform Act of 2008, had I been present, I would have voted "yes".

Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 662 H.R. 7081, the United States-India Nuclear Cooperation Approval and Nonproliferation Enhancement Act, had I been present, I would have voted "yes".

Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 663 H.R. 6707, Taking Responsible Action for Community Safety Act, had I been present, I would have voted "no".

HONORING SEAN PATRICK KENNAN

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 29, 2008

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Sean Patrick Kennan of Liberty, Missouri. Sean is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1376, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Sean has been very active with his troop, participating in many Scout activities. Over the many years Sean has been involved with Scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Sean Patrick Kennan for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. STEVE BUYER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 29, 2008

Mr. BUYER. Madam Speaker, the attached financial plans are provided in support of projects listed in H.R. 2638, Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009.

Detailed Finance Plan for National Test Facility for Aerospace Fuels and Propulsion Budget:

Equipment & Supplies	\$2,130,000
Salary	850,000
Travel	20,000

Source of Match Funding: Purdue University.

Sustainability: